



October Newsletter

AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the NZCBA Council was held at 9.45 am on Saturday, 22 September, at which the remit regarding the new constitution and change of name was passed by a two thirds majority. The Management Committee which had been elected at the last AGM, has continued in the six month transition period.

Constitution

A copy of the Constitution as passed at the AGM, is included with the minutes of that meeting, which will be circulated this week.

A mailout to all Clubs is to be undertaken soon giving an outline regarding what the adoption of the new Constitution will mean, together with a timetable around this. **WATCH THIS SPACE !**

Congress

Congress went well again this year with record numbers attending. Full results are available on the website. Congratulations to those who achieved good results. Results from Congress are currently being processed and will be included in the update at the end of the month.

Change in Rating Points

The change in rating points will occur for the 2008 year and confirmation of this follows is:

Junior	0.00 to 30.99 Rating Points AND 0.00 to 4.99 A Points
Intermediate	31.00 to 99.99 Rating Points and 0.00 to 49.99 A Points OR 0.00 to 30.99 Rating Points and 5.00 to 49.99 A Points
Open	100.00 or greater Rating Points OR 0.00 or greater Rating Points AND 50.00 or greater A Points

Membership

A steady flow of new members and resignations is being received and processed - a reminder to clubs that in order for this information to be taken into account for the year, this should be received in the NZCBA office before the end of October

Results / Processing

Tournament and club results which have been received and processed prior to 30 October will be taken into account for the grading of players for the 2008 playing year. In order that this can occur, results need to be in to the NZCBA Office before Labour Weekend.

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An update from our Sponsor

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Everybody has different needs, but for most people, the security afforded through peace of mind ranks the highest. Thus the choice of lender becomes critical. It has never been more important to look to organisations with the years of experience, the transparency of a stock market listing, and the flexibility to tailor-make the right loan for you. DorchesterLife pioneered Home Equity Release schemes, in New Zealand in 1992; they are a strong and robust provider who has brought financial relief too many Kiwis by freeing up the equity in their home and turning it into cash.

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Seminars

During October Dorchester will be conducting several seminars in :

Auckland, Albany, Hamilton, Tauranga, Napier, Palmerston North,
Wellington, New Plymouth, Christchurch and Dunedin

at which Dorchester's CEO, Mr Andrew Walker, will update investors on Dorchester's current position and future direction. Bridge players are very welcome to attend. Should you wish to obtain further information please contact Polly Prior, email prior@dorchester.co.nz or freephone 0800 100 601.